



## **Child Abuse Prevention Training and Resources Available for Arizona School Personnel!**

Childhelp® is a leading national non-profit organization dedicated to helping victims of child abuse and neglect. Programs and services include a National Child Abuse Hotline, 1-800-4-A-CHILD, that operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week; residential treatment services; children's advocacy centers; therapeutic foster care; group homes; and child abuse prevention, education, and training.

The Childhelp® Advocacy Centers are role models of community collaboration that utilize a highly effective, one-stop approach to the investigation of child abuse. They provide a child-friendly facility at which members of the investigative team interview, medically examine, provide and refer treatment for abused children while pursuing the prosecution of offenders. The multidisciplinary team typically includes professionals in the areas of law enforcement, child protective services, medicine, mental health, and prosecution. Arizona is home to two of the five national advocacy centers, the Childhelp® Children's Center of Arizona in Phoenix and the Childhelp® Children's Mobile Advocacy Center of Northern Arizona.

The following in-service trainings are available through Childhelp® for school administrators, teachers, counselors, staff, volunteers, and parents throughout Arizona:

- Signs and symptoms of child abuse (delivered on campuses in sessions ranging from 30 minutes to 2-hours)
- Child abuse reporting requirements (delivered on campuses in sessions ranging from 30 minutes up to the complete Mandated Reporter training offered on a district level through the Specialist from the Childhelp® Advocacy Center)
- *Good-Touch/Bad-Touch* child abuse prevention training for K-6 classroom teachers. This training will give teachers the skills to teach and empower children with age-appropriate strategies for body safety - including topics on child abuse; sexual abuse; sexual harassment and bullying of all types; and internet safety.

Parent guides on the topic of child abuse and parent kits are also available to be used with children at home.

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